`DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION Olympia, Washington

To: Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Memorandum No: 06-110

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Subject: Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment, and Supplies: Fee Schedule Changes

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2007, unless otherwise noted, the Health and Recovery Services Administration (HRSA) has updated the *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment, and Supplies Billing Instructions* with the 2007 Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes and policy changes.

What has changed?

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2007, HRSA has:

- Deleted and added HCPCS codes in compliance with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) updates; and
- Updated policy to add new limits that have been established for some equipment;

Effective for dates of service on and after March 1, 2007, HRSA has:

- Revised the *Medical Necessity for Wheelchair Purchase for Nursing Facilities (NF) Clients* (DSHS 13-729). The updated version of this form will be required documentation effective March 1, 2007;
- Revised the *Medical Necessity for Wheelchair Purchase (for home client only)* (DSHS 13-727). This form will now be required documentation effective March 1, 2007; and
- Added a new form titled *The Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) Evaluation for Speech Generating Devices* (DSHS 15-310), which will also be required documentation effective March 1, 2007.

Fee Schedule

- You may view HRSA's Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment, and Supplies Fee Schedule on-line at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/RBRVS/Index.html
- For a paper copy of the fee schedule, see "How can I get HRSA's provider documents?" on the last page of this memorandum.

Bill HRSA your usual and customary charge.

New Billing Instructions

HRSA has republished the *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment, and Supplies Billing Instructions* to include the changes referred to in this memorandum.

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You may conduct business electronically with HRSA by accessing the WAMedWeb at http://wamedweb.acs-inc.com

How can I get HRSA's provider documents?

To obtain HRSA's provider numbered memoranda and billing instructions, go to HRSA's website at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov (click *Billing Instructions/Numbered Memoranda* or *Provider Publications/Fee Schedules*).

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